

Enjoy Rotary!

Rotary Club of Marbel Original Theme Song
(Lyrics: PP Camilo Dajay, Composer: Ryan)

When life becomes short and complicated
When all you see is poverty and misery
When you are bored and discontented
And your days seem cold and dreary
It's time to get up, move on, and make new friends
The joy of serving others
Is felt by each Rotarian
Come take your place under the sun
Join us and have so much fun

If you want to be happy
Join Rotary
If you want to be loved
Embrace Rotary
If you want peace and harmony
Serve with Rotary

The Rotary Club of Marbel
Our Home
Our Passion
Our Family
All for the service of humanity

Rotary Club of Marbel
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Rotary!



The CORE

Official Weekly Bulletin of the Rotary Club of Marbel (Koronadal)

Club No. 17121 | Chartered June 30, 1980
District 3860 | Philippines
Meets every Thursday, 7:30PM

Rotary Year 2023-2024

THE FOUR-WAY TEST

of the things we think, say, or do:

- Is it the TRUTH?
- Is it FAIR to ALL concerned?
- Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
- Will it be BENEFICIAL to ALL concerned?

OBJECT OF ROTARY

...is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise, and, in particular to encourage and foster;

- FIRST:** The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;
- SECOND:** High ethical standards in business and professions, the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations, and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society;
- THIRD:** The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business, and community life;
- FOURTH:** The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

ROTARY CODE OF CONDUCT

- Act with integrity and high ethical standards in my personal and professional life
- Deal fairly with others and treat them and their occupations with respect
- Use my professional skills through Rotary to: mentor young people, help those with special needs, and improve people's quality of life in my community and in the world
- Avoid behaviour that reflects adversely on Rotary or other Rotarians
- Help maintain a harassment-free environment in Rotary meetings, events, and activities, report any suspected harassment, and help ensure non-retaliation to those individuals that report harassment

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Our Mission

We provide service to others, promote integrity, and advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace through our fellowship of business, professional, and community leaders.

Our Core Values

Our values are an increasingly important component in strategic planning because they drive the intent and direction of the organization's leadership.

CERTIFICATE OF ATTENDANCE

This document certifies that

_____ (Name)

of the Rotary Club of _____

has attended the club's General Membership Meeting and Fellowship on _____ held at Koronadal City, South Cotabato, Philippines.

RTN. RHEA E. SAVARIZ
Executive Secretary

4th General Membership Meeting and Fellowship

Precious Child Learning Center (PCLC), Brgy. Zone IV, City of Koronadal
August 16, 2023 | 6:30 PM

PROGRAM FLOW

PART I. Registration and Dinner

PART II. General Membership Meeting

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|------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Call to Order | Pres. Ilah Marie L. Labrador |
| Invocation | Overture |
| Philippine National Anthem | Overture |
| Rotary Hymn | Overture |
| Four-Way Test and Object of Rotary | Rtn. Louie O. Bernardo |

Presentation and Discussion of Agenda Items:

1. 44th Induction and Handover Ceremonies
Thanksgiving/Evaluation
2. Updates from ACOM Meeting last August 13, 2023
3. Brigada Eskwela 2023 participation
4. Distribution of new Club Uniform
5. Other matters

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|--------------------|------------------------------|
| Treasurer's Corner | PP Nolito B. Prudencio |
| Secretary's Report | PE/Sec. Janine C. Pring |
| Adjournment | Pres. Ilah Marie L. Labrador |

PART III. Fellowship

PP Rolan A. Alajar
Program Host

Invocation

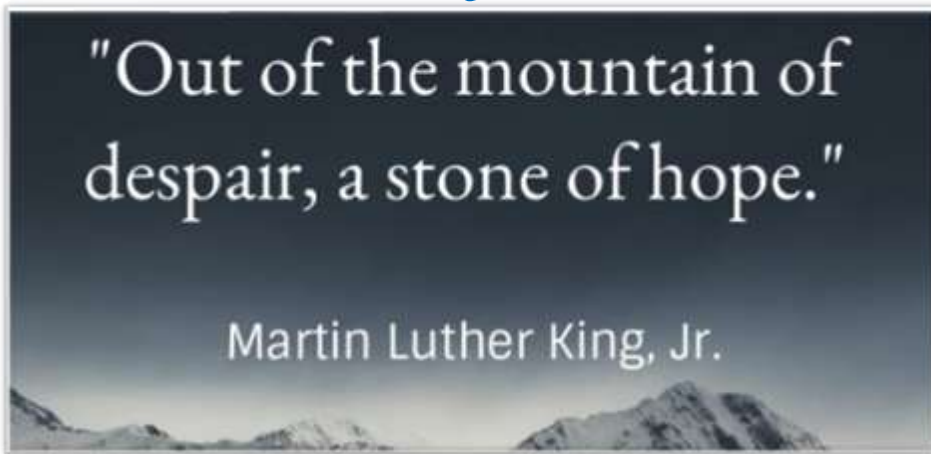
Loving Father, accept our heartfelt thanks for guiding and giving us inspiration in serving the community and the country. Thank you for using us as one of your instruments in helping the needy and less fortunate people. We are also blessed because of the good health we enjoyed to make this work pleasurable, strength to battle with difficulties and overcome them, patience to toil until some good is accomplished, love to move us to be useful and helpful to others, faith to make real things for your glory, and hope to remove all anxious fears. For all of these, Most Loving Father, we thank and praise You. Amen.



Inspiring Quote

"Out of the mountain of despair, a stone of hope."

Martin Luther King, Jr.



Club History DECADES OF SERVICE ABOVE SELF

The club is a proud recipient of various TRF Matching Grants such as Adopt-a-Harelip Project with the Rotaract Club of Johor Bahru (Malaysia) of District 3310, Vitamin A supplementation, and cataract operation. The club has been also a recipient of World Community Service projects from RI District 2790 of Chiba, Japan on school building construction, feeding program, literacy, water supply and sanitation, cataract and harelip operation.

In cooperation with international and national medical societies, the club hosted medical and dental missions for various indigent communities in South Cotabato. This project was awarded as the Most Outstanding by the District. The club itself is also a recipient of numerous "Most Outstanding Club awards" in recognition for its dedication and commitment to do fair share in making the community a better place to live.



In 2005-2010, Koronadal City and Department of Education City Division awarded the club as one of the outstanding civic organization in Koronadal City during its Charter Day celebration.



The club had garnered string of awards from Rotary International and District. The highly-esteemed name it had carved in the community is a clear sign that it had accomplished its goals. It is not a reason to complacent, however. Every Rotary Year president aims to equal, or even surpass, the outstanding achievement that their predecessors had consummated for the club. To widen our network, expand our collaborative work for the good of humanity, we forged sisterhood agreements with

Rotary Clubs of Japan, Singapore, Johor Bahru, Davao, and Alabang LAMPARA.

The club is not only well-known for the delivery of service projects but also its contributions to The Rotary Foundation (TRF). It produced the first Paul Harris Fellow in the Rotary Year 1994-1995. From then onwards, annual contribution to TRF becomes usual thus, became a Paul Harris Fellow (PHF) Club in 2018 and still consistently generous until today. Also, some club members doing great service as district and club officers.

Apart from its zeal to extend help to the needy, members became popular in District 3880 with their unique innovations in folk and modern dances.

The strength of the club lies in each member's commitment to the motto 'Service above Self' and to a feeling of unity within the Rotary Club of Marbel family. Whether it is in the good times to work together on club projects or during the sad times having personal tragedies. Membership retention is vitally important to retain a solid core and membership development is important for the long-term future of the club. The club is proud to have among its members outstanding leaders in the community not only in their respective professions or businesses but also in their passionate involvement in the Rotary service.

These may not be much crow about, but in humble way, the Rotary Club of Marbel during its 42 years of journey had shared time and resources with the least of the brethren in places and instances most appreciated. Through the years, it delivered myriads of projects benefitting the less fortunate members of the community.

Our commitment of service never ends. The Rotary Club of Marbel will continue to serve the humanity to be an inspiration and help to change lives. Imagine Rotary!

Club History

DECADES OF SERVICE ABOVE SELF

It started when Attorney Paul Harris desired for camaraderie among business associates brought together of four men in downtown Chicago. After practice of subsequent rotating meeting location, they decided to call it as Rotary Club of which eventually led to an international organization of service and fellowship. The organization's dedication to this ideal is best expressed in its motto: Service Above Self.

As Rotary grew, members pooled their resources and used their talents to serve their communities. There are 34,282 member clubs worldwide, 1.2 million neighbors, friends, and community leaders called Rotarians have joined these clubs to create positive, lasting change in the communities around the globe.

The Rotary Club of Koronadal then, was the only Rotary Club in the municipality of Marbel



(now City of Koronadal). The committee on Club Extension headed by Past President (PP) Tolosa came up to the idea of forming one additional club in the growing City of Koronadal. In mid-1979, they searched for young, dynamic and well-respected professionals who will compose the new club.

It was June 30, 1980 when the Rotary Club of Marbel (Koronadal) has been approved by Rotary International (RI). The late PP Gerardo Calaliman was the Charter President who led the club its birth pains, surviving the odds and establishing a name worthy of respect and prestige that every Rotary Club brings. As years sped fast, new blood was brought in regardless of religion, gender, or political preference.

The club's flagship projects includes medical, dental, and surgical mission; literacy and feeding; career orientation to graduating high school students; anti-bullying and I love English campaign; Adopt-a-Day Care Centers; support the school for the deaf at Koronadal Pilot Elementary School; annual December gift-giving and feeding; breast cancer awareness activities; environmental projects such as tree planting in the mountain areas of Lake Sebu and City of Koronadal, coastal clean-up in the shores of Sarangani Bay and General Santos City as well as B'ok Creek together with different national line agencies. All One Rotary, One District activities were also participated.



The club sponsored the Rotaract Club of Notre Dame of Marbel University (school-based) in 1988 and organized the Interact Club of Koronadal National Comprehensive High School (KNCHS) in 2014. The Rotaract Club of Korbel (school-based) and Interact Club of Korbel were also organized during the inspiring Rotary year 2018-2019. During the pandemic era in 2021, the first community-based - Rotaract Club of Marbel was born which composed of young professionals.

Presidential MESSAGE

August 2023

R. Gordon R. MacInally
RI President 2023-2024



At the 2023 Rotary International Convention in Melbourne, I asked all Rotary members to become champions in our effort to illuminate mental health needs near and far. This includes helping one another feel more supported, advocating for mental health services, and building bridges with experts in the field to expand access to treatment. It's an important task and a big ask. But it's also something that should feel familiar to every Rotary member — because everything we do is in the spirit of caring, giving, friendship, and compassion, and has been from the beginning of our organization.

We've grown into an amazing global network of 1.4 million interconnected community leaders — leaders who share a deep commitment to doing good in the world. But what makes Rotary powerful isn't just what we do for the communities we serve. We also support and empower each other, by creating a safe space for our members to bring their whole, authentic selves. We show each other comfort and care.

These connections are deeply meaningful. The U.S. surgeon general recently declared loneliness a public health epidemic. Dr. Vivek Murthy said, "We must prioritize building social connection the same way we have prioritized other critical public health issues such as tobacco, obesity, and substance use disorders." I am proud of what Rotary has done across generations to build those kinds of social connections — and this magazine focused on loneliness and what Rotary can do about it in its January 2023 issue.

Our worldwide community and our foundational value prioritizing Service Above Self makes Rotary a powerful global advocate for mental health. A recently published study by Ohio State University found performing acts of kindness was the only one of three mental health interventions tested that helped people feel more connected to others. Study co-author David Cregg said, "Performing acts of kindness seems to be one of the best ways to promote those connections."

This research suggests what we've known all along — that doing good helps transform not just the communities we serve, but it also transforms us. As we put a greater focus on mental health, let's not think of this effort as something new to Rotary, but rather as something we can do better and as a result have a greater impact on ourselves and the people we serve.

We are not starting this effort from scratch. The Rotary Action Group on Mental Health Initiatives has been focused on these kinds of issues for several years — and we will be looking to members of that group for leadership as we continue to build awareness.

Mental health care fits comfortably within several of our areas of focus. As of May, there are 41 global grant-supported projects with a mental health focus. Many of them have tremendous promise, and we will be highlighting them in the months ahead.

So let's work together to erase the stigma associated with emotional well-being, raise awareness of mental health needs, and improve access to preventive and interventional mental health services.

Together, we will *Create Hope in the World*.



Trustee's Chair Message

Barry Rassin

August 2023

This year, I urge all of you to think big about The Rotary Foundation. To reach our goals and make the impact we know we can make, we must think outside the box and embrace innovation. We must make bold plans to expand our reach today, tomorrow, and in the future.















Start by thinking big about Foundation-supported projects. If your club hasn't engaged in a Rotary Foundation district grant or global grant, make this the year you do. Collaborating with your Rotary counterparts in another district on one of Rotary's seven areas of focus can make a lasting impact beyond your wildest dreams. Explore Rotary Showcase at rotary.org/showcase or arrange a meeting between your club and your district Rotary Foundation chair to start a conversation.

Let's also think big about our polio fundraising this year. Begin planning your World Polio Day fundraiser now for 24 October if you haven't already. Let's see how Rotaract and Rotary clubs can make this year's fundraisers our best ever.

Thinking big about the Foundation also means remembering that through it, our impact goes beyond the current Rotary year. We see this through not only the emphasis on sustainability in our grant projects but also in initiatives such as Programs of Scale. The third Programs of Scale recipient will take on a big challenge: combating cervical cancer and enhancing women's health in Egypt through awareness-raising and improved access to preventive care. The success of the Programs of Scale grant model lies in our approach of closely collaborating with partners to amplify proven methods. Each year, The Rotary Foundation awards \$2 million to a member-led program that has demonstrated success and has the potential to reach more people through scaling up over a three- to five-year period.

Our Programs of Scale are the epitome of thinking big: Through them, we aim to establish sustainable partnerships and cost-effective programs that deliver tangible benefits beyond the funding period. This way, Rotary and its Foundation can reach and assist more people in more places.

Lastly, let's remember that our efforts to make the world a better place should extend beyond our time on earth. As we strive to reach \$2.025 billion by 2025 for Rotary's Endowment, consider how you can leave a legacy by making a gift or a commitment to a Rotary endowment. This will ensure that Rotary's future generations will have greater financial resources to create positive change, just as so many are doing now, in so many ways.

| ROTARY YEAR | RI LOGO | RI THEME | CLUB PRESIDENT |
|-------------|---|---|------------------------------------|
| 2001-2002 |  | "Mankind is Our Business" | Floro "Puyot" D. Calixton |
| 2002-2003 |  | "Sow the Seeds of Love" | Rolan "Rolan" A. Alajar |
| 2003-2004 |  | "Lend a Hand" | Roland "Roland" Asperga |
| 2004-2005 |  | "Celebrate Rotary" | Noel "Noel" M. Dungca |
| 2005-2006 |  | "Service Above Self" | Camilo "Toto" L. Dajay |
| 2006-2007 |  | "Lead the Way" | Datu Tungko "Dats" M. Saikal |
| 2007-2008 |  | "Rotary Shares" | Mark Marie "Mark" G. Bantug |
| 2008-2009 |  | "Make Dreams Real" | Jessie "Jessie" P. Cruz |
| 2009-2010 |  | "The Future of Rotary is in Your Hands" | Marie Antonina "Junette" Hurtado |
| 2010-2011 |  | "Building Communities, Bridging Continents" | Juanito "Johnny" C. Cueva |
| 2011-2012 |  | "Reach Within to Embrace Humanity" | Leodegarlo "Leo" R. Santos, Jr. |
| 2012-2013 |  | "Peace Through Service" | Antonio "Tony" M. Vicente |
| 2013-2014 |  | "Engage Rotary Change Lives" | Carlo "Carlo" S. Precioso |
| 2014-2015 |  | "Light Up Rotary" | Leandro Ador "Ador" A. Dizon |
| 2015-2016 |  | "Be A Gift to the World" | Nolito "Lito" B. Prudencio |
| 2016-2017 |  | "Rotary Serving Humanity" | Randy "Rhandz" S. Baldeolar |
| 2017-2018 |  | "Rotary: Making a Difference" | Jason Anthony "Jay" Y. Garcia |
| 2018-2019 |  | "Be the Inspiration" | Leween Jan "Leween" P. Santos |
| 2019-2020 |  | "Rotary Connects the World" | Philip Leonard "Philip" T. Escueta |
| 2020-2021 |  | "Rotary Opens Opportunities" | Andrew Robert "Andy" W. Atkins |
| 2021-2022 |  | "Serve to Change Lives" | Evelyn "Bing" P. Tampus |

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 District 3860 Governor
 Rotary Year 2018-2019
 "Be the Inspiration"



Club Pillars 1980-2021

| ROTARY YEAR | RI LOGO | RI THEME | CLUB PRESIDENT |
|-------------|---|---|---|
| 1980-1981 |  | "Take Time to Serve" | Gerardo "Gerry" Calaliman |
| 1981-1982 |  | "World Understanding and Peace Through Rotary" | Benjamin "Bing" M. Garcia |
| 1982-1983 |  | "Mankind is One-Build Bridges of Friendship Throughout the World" | Pedro "Pete" Torres |
| 1983-1984 |  | "Share Rotary - Serve People" | Tranquillino "Jun" Araral, Jr. |
| 1984-1985 |  | "Discover a New World of Service" | Bernardo "Jun" Dignadice, Jr. |
| 1985-1986 |  | "You are the Key" | Gerardo "Gerry" S. Cruz |
| 1986-1987 |  | "Rotary Brings Hope" | Perfecto "Pitok" Suena, Jr. |
| 1987-1988 |  | "United in Service Dedicated to Peace" | Romulo "Romy" Rafael |
| 1988-1989 |  | "Put Life in Rotary - Your Life" | Jose "Peps" Barroso |
| 1989-1990 |  | "Enjoy Rotary" | Benjamin "Ben" D. Pajaro |
| 1991 |  | "Honor Rotary with Faith and Enthusiasm" | Claro "Caloy" Precioso |
| 1991-1992 |  | "Look Beyond Yourself" | Pio "Pio" Marinas |
| 1992-1993 |  | "Real Happiness is Helping Others" | Nazario "Boy" Grecia Antonio "Tony" M. Vicente |
| 1993-1994 |  | "Believe in what You Can Do - Do what You Believe In" | Delfin "Bong" O. Riego de Dios |
| 1994-1995 |  | "Be A Friend" | Emmanuel "Manny" Reinosa |
| 1995-1996 |  | "Act with Integrity - Serve with Love - Work for Peace" | Edgardo "Ed" Barrios |
| 1996-1997 |  | "Build the Future with Action and Vision" | Loreta "Loring" C. Sy |
| 1997-1998 |  | "Show Rotary Cares" | Jose "Joe" Cagampang |
| 1998-1999 |  | "Follow Your Rotary Dream" | Arnold "Nonoy" G. Garcia |
| 1999-2000 |  | "Act with Consistency, Credibility, Continuity" | Alfredo "Fred" E. dela Peña |
| 2000-2001 |  | "Create Awareness Take Action" | Suzanne "Zanne" Araquil |

Message from the Club President

Rtn. Ilah Marie L. Labrador, PHF



My heart is full of gratitude as we celebrated the club's 44th Induction and Handover Ceremonies with a blast! Despite of our worries from guests to food and other preparations, we received numerous positive comments that we had a formal program and the production number was great. We once again bared the hidden talents of Rotarians, Spouses, and Rotaractors. The presence also of DG Twinkle Gamboa, PDG Salvador Angala, PDG Riz Reyes, DS Ed Ang, and Public Image Chair Arlene Adlawan inspired us. My special thanks to the Rotaractors for giving their best to everything – from decoration, secretariat to production number. Also, warm welcome to the new members who gave their trust to become part of this growing family. Our souvenir program was also shared to the attending Rotary Clubs and guests and thank you to the editorial team and to Rtn. Jay de Jesus for the rush printing. To all, thank you for making my *"wedding day"* with Rotary Club of Marbel so memorable.

Back to reality in the next day for the service project of Area 3H Rotary Clubs at Sta. Maria Elementary School in Matalam, Cotabato. The project was attended by DG Twinkle and team. Also, we supported the induction of the newest Rotary Club (Metro Koronadal) on their first induction and engaged with the Department of Education on their call for partners for Brigada Eskwela. The details and photos of these activities were posted in the club's FB page and included in this bulletin.

The Council of Presidents and Secretaries during the 3rd Areas 3FGH committee meeting last Sunday discussed the incoming projects. The agreements and updates will be discussed during the President's time.

Once again, thank you to all of your steadfast support and guidance. I am not mistaken of accepting the gavel of responsibility to lead the club because I am so blessed with generous and humble Rotarians and Spouses.



The Secretary's Report

Rtn. Janine C. Pring, PHF



1. The attendance and activity report for the month of July 2023 was submitted through the district website last August 9, 2023. Due to some changes to the reporting process and to avoid internet lag, the accomplished August activities and projects were also reported. Likewise, the Rotary Club Central was updated via www.rotary.org.
2. Thank you to the 20 Rotarians and Spouses who attended the 1st Induction and Handover Ceremonies of the Rotary Club of Metro Koronadal last August 12, 2023 held at The Farm at Carpenter Hill. The club is one of those with highest delegations.
3. Despite of no sleep due to the club induction, thank you to Prexy Ilah Labrador for representing the club during the School Cleanup: Brigada Eskwela 2023 at Sta. Maria National High School, Matalam, Cotabato.
4. PDG Bing Garcia is not only generous with his financial resources but also his time as he supported the Areas 3FGH with Prexy Ilah from the club during the 3rd ACOM Meeting held at the rest house of PP Edwin Valencia in Brgy. Glandang, Tupi.
5. The club was well represented during the Brigada Eskwela 2023 kick-off activity last August 14, 2023 at Koronadal Central Elementary School (KCES) II and the pledge of commitment was signed.
6. We acknowledge also IPP Ian Fedoc for continuing the flip chart project on proper breastfeeding, Dr. Kano and Spouse Nancy Adalin for the facilitation, and Rtn. Jay de Jesus for the printing. The visual material will be donated to the City Health Office and will be distributed down to the barangays.
7. Please be reminded to the **club officers** to visit the RI website at www.rotary.org and complete your online course. This is one of the challenges in the district goals for the Rotary Year 2023-2024. Please let us know on how we could assist you. Thank you!

ROTARY OBSERVATION MONTHS



AUGUST CELEBRATORS

Happy Birthday!



August 3
Rtn. David Tan



August 7
Spouse Sherryl Bernardo



August 8
PAG Gerry Cruz



August 22
PE/Sec Janine Pring

Treasurer's Corner

PP Nolito B. Prudencio, PHF



STATUS OF MANDATORY PAYMENTS FOR JULY 2023

| Particulars | Amount | Status |
|---|---------------------|--|
| Club Invoice (July 2023) | P 91,564.00 | Paid July 26, 2023 and acknowledged by RISPPPO |
| District Levy (P500 x 40 members) | P 20,000.00 | Paid July 25, 2023 and validated deposit slip emailed to the District 3860 for recording |
| Disaster Levy (P100 x 40 members) | P 4,000.00 | |
| Rotaract Levy (P1000 x 2 RAC) | P 2,000.00 | |
| Club Listing (DISCON 2024) | P 4,000.00 | |
| RI Convention 2028 (Manila) (P500 x 40 members) | P 20,000.00 | Paid July 27, 2023 and acknowledged by PRM |
| PRM Subscription for 1 year (32 digital & 8 printed) Digital = P300 Printed = P800 | P 16,000.00 | |
| Total Payment | P 157,564.00 | |

DOCUMENTED PROJECT

Area 3H Bloodletting Activity (Dugo Mo, Buhay Ko) held on July 16, 2023 at KCC Mall of Marbel Events & Convention Center



DOCUMENTED ACTIVITIES

Attendance to the 66th Induction of the Rotary Club of General Santos City held at Greenleaf Hotel, General Santos City last July 23, 2023



Supported the 44th Induction and Handover Ceremonies of the Rotary Club of Metro Dadiangas held at Phela Grande Convention Center last July 29, 2023



DOCUMENTED PROJECT

August 6, 2023: School Cleanup: Brigada Eskwela 2023 at Sta. Maria National High School, Matalam, Cotabato



August 14, 2023: Brigada Eskwela 2023 kick-off activity at KCES II



DOCUMENTED ACTIVITY

August 4, 2023 | 11th Induction and Handover Ceremonies of the Rotary Club of Koronadal Central held at Maya Pavillion, Paraiso Verde Hotel & Resort, Koronadal City



August 12, 2023 | 1st Induction and Handover Ceremonies of the Rotary Club of Metro Koronadal held at Fiesta Hall, The Farm at Carpenter Hill, City of Koronadal



DOCUMENTED ACTIVITY

August 13, 2023: 3rd ACOM Meeting



July 27, 2023: Club's 3rd General Membership Meeting and Fellowship at EMR Center



DOCUMENTED ACTIVITY

The Club's 44th Induction and Handover Ceremonies held on August 5, 2023 at EMR Convention Center

